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OF THE

Twenty-Second Annual Session

OF THE

Buckner Baptist Association

HELD WITH THE

Palestine Church,

Sebastian County, Ark.,

October 15; 16 and 17, 1892.

OFFICERS:

Moderator, R. P. CLABORN, Mansfield, Ark.
Clerk, J. M. LEDBETTER, Witcherville, Ark.
Treasurer, B. D. BARNES, Dayton, Ark.

The next session will be held with the West Harmony Church, three miles South of Hartford, Sebastian County, Ark., Commencing on Saturday before the third Sabbath in October, 1893, at 11 o'clock, a. m.

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Proceedings.

The annual session of Buckner Association met pursuant to adjournment with the Palestine church, Sebastian county, Arkansas, on Saturday the 15th day of October, 1892. The introductory sermon preached by W. P. Hall. Appropriate remarks by Elder P. E. Windham. Adjourned 'till 2 o'clock, p. m. Benediction by G. N. Penington.

Afternoon service introduced by reading the 40th Psalm by L. F. Patterson. Prayer by J. M. Ledbetter. Clerk being absent J. M. Ledbetter was appointed clerk, pro. tem. J. M. Penington, J. M. Hopkins and W. L. White appointed to read the letters from the churches. The Moderator appointed the pastor and deacons of Palestine church with Bro. Wortman a committee on divine service. Committee on divine service reported preaching at night at Estes' school house by G. W. Evans and P. E. Windham, at Palestine church by R. P. Claborn and L. B. Blackman, at Fellowship church by L. F. Patterson and D. C. Yeargin. Election of officers resulted as follows: R. P. Claborn, moderator; J. M. Ledbetter, clerk; B. D. Barnes, treasurer. Roll called and corrected. Received petitionary letters as follows: Lynch Prairie church, Scott county, Sugar Creek church, Logan county. Appointed committee on finance as follows: W. A. Vinyard, G. C. Anthony and P. E. Windham. Correspondence called for. J. W. Miller from Short Mountain association, W. D. Moffitt and B. S. Council from Dardanelle association. All visiting brethren were seated. Those seated were D. C. Yeargin, H. L. Bean, G. W. Allen, J. J. Hartsfield, L. W. Dearing and W. H. Ezell. By motion Sabbath collection to be applied to home mission work. By motion mass meeting Sabbath evening at 5 o'clock p. m. in the interest of a religious paper being gotten up by H. H. Milburn in Indian Territory. Adjourned until Monday morning, 8 o'clock, a. m. Benediction by J. N. Penington.

Sabbath morning met in prayer meeting, led by J. W. Miller. Missionary sermon preached at 11 a. m. by G. T. Mathews, followed by L. F. Patterson. Collection for missions was taken up. Received for foreign missions, \$3.75; home missions, \$14.30. The several standing committees were announced as follows: On ministerial support, G. T. Mathews, G. H. Council and J. N. Penington; on Sabbath schools, James Edmondson, L. B. Blackman, P. A. Watts; temperance, Haddock, Y. S. James, Wm. Tyler; finance, W. A. Vinyard, G. C. Anthony, G. H. Council; literature, P. E. Windham, G. W. Evans, B. D. Barnes; nominations, J. N. Penington, B. D. Barnes, M. Q. Wortman; foreign missions, L. F. Patterson, P. E. Windham, James Edmondson; domestic missions, H. J. Roberts, I. J. Lucas, G. W. Evans. At 2 o'clock met in mass meeting, listened to an eloquent address by L. F. Patterson in behalf of J. H. Milburn's paper to be published in the Territory. Also an able Sabbath school lecture by Elder Moffitt from Dardanelle. Benediction by W. D. Moffitt. Preaching at night at Palestine church by J. Miller, at Mt. Nebo by G. W. Evans and Eld. Haddock, at Salem by W. P. Hall and G. C. Anthony. Monday morning at 8 o'clock the moderator called the body to order. Prayer by J. W. Miller. Minutes read and adopted. G. T. Watkins appointed as assistant clerk. Bro. D. L. Moore seated as corresponding messenger from Concord Association.

Correspondence appointed as follows: B. D. Barnes, G. T. Mathews, Y. P. James, J. N. Penington, to Dardanelle association; A. G. Patterson, R. P. Claborn, S. W. Franks, G. T. Mathews, J. T. Havenor, to Concord association; R. T. Claborn, L. F. Patterson, P. E. Windham, W. N. Sexton, to Ouichita association; J. M. Ledbetter, L. B. Plumer, G. C. Anthony, James Edmondson, to Short Mountain association, R. P. Clayborn, J. N. Penington, J. W. Cross, J. M. Ledbetter, J. T. Havenor, to general association.

Report on Sabbath schools read and adopted. [For report see appendix A.] Report on domestic missions received and adopted. [See appendix B.] Report on nominations received and adopted. [See appendix C.] Report on ministerial support received and adopted. [Appendix D] Preaching at 11 a. m. by W. D. Moffat. Benediction by Elder Quinn. Adjourned one hour for refreshments, after which the moderator called the body together Prayer by G. W. Evans Motion that Concord church be granted a letter of dismission from us. Carried. Report on literature received and adopted. [Appendix E.] Report on temperance received and adopted. [Appendix F.] Report on finance received and adopted. [Appendix G.] Treasurer's report received and adopted. [Appendix H.] Elder R. P. Clayborn made his report as missionary. Report received and adopted. [Appendix I.] Report on Foreign missions received and adopted. [Appendix J.] Motion carried that we pay our clerk, J. M. Ledbetter, ten dollars for his service in getting out our minutes. The association voted thanks to Palestine church and community for the very generous and hospitable entertainment during the session. Unity and love prevailed during the entire session. All joined in singing one of the good old songs of Zion and give to each other the parting hand. Benediction by J. M. Ledbetter..

R. P. CLABORN, Moderator.

J. M. LEDBETTER, Clerk.

N. B. Some of the letters failed to give their postoffices, others their counties. Some I fear will miss their minutes on that account.—CLERK.

Report of Committees.

Report A. We your committee on Sabbath schools report that we believe the Sabbath school to be the most important work outside of ministerial labor and should be considered auxiliary to the same in training our children that they may be able to lay hold of the truths of the Bible and we will not rest satisfied until we have a good evergreen Sunday school duly organized in all of our churches, knowing the great importance of the same, looking to the great Giver of all good for our success. We further recommend the use of Baptist literature in our schools. Respectfully submitted,

JAMES EDMONDSON, Chairman.

Appendix B. We your committee on domestic missions report that there is great destitution in the bounds of our association, and as there is a missionary spirit in this body we recommend that a missionary be kept in the field, and we recommend that the deacons of each church be requested to collect the pledges made by their churches and forward to R. T. Claborn.

G. W. EVANS, Chairman.

Report on Nominations.

Appendix C. We recommend that the association be held with West Harmony church, three miles south of Hartford, J. M. Ledbetter to preach the introductory sermon, D. M. Bryant, alternate. G. W. Evans to preach the missionary sermon, G. C. Anthony, alternate. James Edmondson, G. T. Mathews, Wm. Taylor, G. H. Council and George Bettis, executive committee. Respectfully submitted,

J. N. PENINGTON, Chairman.

Appendix D. We your committee on ministerial support beg leave to report as follows: We feel a great lack in almost all our churches in the support of their pastors. We do not believe it is a lack of love to the Lord on the part of our beloved brethren and sisters, but for the want of thor-

ough Bible training on this subject. We would therefore recommend that in the spirit and love of Christ that the Pastor persistently hold up the Bible doctrine of ministerial support to their charges. Humbly submitted,

G. T. ANTHONY, Chairman.

Report on Literature.

Appendix E. We, your committee on literature, recommend *Kind Words* and its series; the *National Publication Society* and series; the *American Baptist*, published by D. B. Ray, St. Louis, Mo.; the *Arkansas Baptist* published at Little Rock by W. A. Clark; also *Home, Field and Foreign Mission Journal*. Respectfully submitted.

P. E. WINDHAM, Chairman.

Appendix F. We your committee on temperance submit the following: We know that the use of ardent spirits is a great barrier to national prosperity; it destroys human happiness; it causes the innocent to suffer and guilty to go unpunished. We believe it to be one of the greatest evils with which the human family has to contend. We therefore recommend that our churches deal strictly with all members who use it as a beverage. And we further recommend that this association withdraw from any church that tolerates such.

B. F. HADDOCK, Chairman.

Finance Report.

Appendix G. Received for printing minutes, \$28.45; home missions, \$4 30; Sunday collection, \$15; foreign mission 5 cents; total, \$47.80. Respectfully submitted.

W. A. VINYARD, Chairman.

Treasurer's Report

Appendix H. Received for printing minutes, \$28 45; for home missions, \$19 30; foreign missions 5 cents; total, \$47.80. Paid to J. M. Ledbetter, \$28.45 for printing minutes; to missionary, \$19 30; total, \$47 80. Respectfully submitted,

B. D. BARNES, Treasurer.

Missionary's Report.

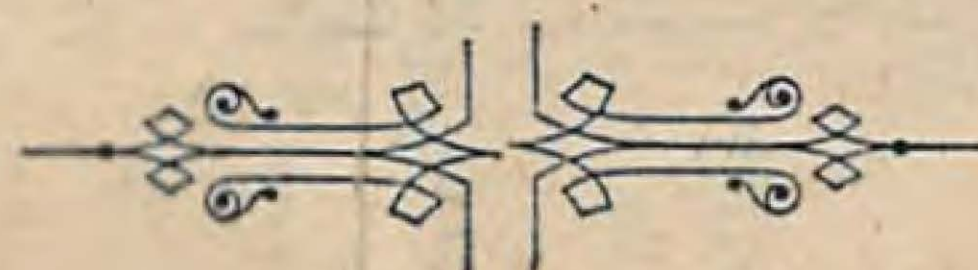
Appendix I. R. T. Claborn, missionary of Buckner Association for 1892, reports work as follows: Sermons preached, 113; exhortations delivered, 52; prayer meetings held, 44, baptized, 13; churches organized, 3; preachers ordained, 3; deacons ordained, 2; Sunday schools organized, 2; ladies' missionary societies organized, 1; miles traveled, 1499; money received on salary from Buckner association, \$81.55; from board of general association, \$28 55; total amount received, \$109 70; amount received on the field, \$32; total, \$141 70,

R. P. CLABORN, Missionary.

Foreign Missions.

Appendix J. Your committee on foreign missions beg leave to report. The Master gave to his churches the great commission. We believe it to be the duty of every member to aid in this great work. As we have a well organized system of foreign missions we earnestly insist on all the churches in this association making liberal contributions for this purpose, and that the pastors be requested to take collections and report the same to the executive board. Respectfully submitted.

L. F. PATTERSON, Chairman.



STATISTICAL REPORT.

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CHURCHES.	POST OFFICE.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	MESSENGERS.	By Baptism.....	Letter.....	Dismiss'd by Let'r	Restored	Excluded	Dead	Total	For Minutes.....	Days of Meeting.	Ord'n'd Min'st's			
Fellowship	Witcherville	Sebastian	D C Yeargin	G H Council	J M Ledb't'r, G H Council	G T Mathews	10	6	7	1		69	1	30	1	3		
Palestine	Witcherville	"	J M Ledbetter	F S Cross	J W Cross, J Y Ramy, W A Vinyard		17	5				63	1	50	3	1		
Lynch Prairie	Crow	Scott	R T Claborn	I J Lucas	B F Haddock, I J Lucas							16	75	2	1			
New Providence	Slatonville	Sebastian	G T Upton	N B Foster	James Edmonson, W M Peck		1		1	1	1	49	1	10	2	2		
Center Point	Magazine	Logan	O M Bryant	P J Chaney	A G Patterson			1	3		1	29	65	4				
New Home	Cauthron		L B Blackman	W S Nelson	Louis Walker, C Burns		6	5	1		2	37	60	2	2	1		
Dayton	Dayton	Sebastian	Jas Edmiston	T F Dickson	B D Barnes, Wm Taylor, Wm Ragles		10		20	2	5	99	1	00	4			
Amity	Hackett	"	J W Miller	H J Roberts	W J Roberts,		6	5	4		1	58	1	50	1			
Cedar Creek	Gipson	Scott	W P Hall	H H Travis	S Warrell		1		2		2	64	1	40	3			
Black Fork	Black Fork		G W Pierce	R E Hearn	Wm Sexton		6	3		2		22	1	00	1			
West Harmony	Hartford	Sebastian	J W Evans	J B Robb	I Spradling, J Cranist'r, S Young, R Hall		24	9	1	4	3	99	1	00	1			
Concord	Baird	Sugar Loaf	N. L. Pounds	R H Davis	T J Davis, R H Davis		14	15	3			35	1	00	2			
Long Ridge	Long Ridge	Logan	B F Haddock	P M Ward	P M Ward, E H Vester, W J Browning			3		1		11	70	2				
Hickory Grove	Boonville	"	J N Penington	W S Shelton	G W Conner, W S Slaton, S W Franks		12	9	3		2	46	60	2				
James Fork	Peora	Sebastian	G C Anthony	J F Page	G W Evans, G C Anthony, J H Havener			2	5		2	60	1	25	1			
Hartford	Peora	"	G W Evans	W L White	J J Hill, J M Hopkins, W L White		10	2		1	2	55	1	25	3			
Sugar Creek	Mansfield	"	R P Claborn	T J James	T G James, J F Bagett, S B Garner		12	13				33	1	00	3			
Bethlehem	Brawley	Scott		B B Brown	M D Wortman			2			1	21	80	1				
White Oak	Chismville	Logan	D M Bryant	P M Taylor	G B Muchler, C M Bryant							26	50	2				
Pilgrim's Rest	Mansfield	Sebastian	W P Hall	P A Watts	R P Claborn, L B Blackman, P A Watts			1	7		2	64	1	00	4			
Poteau	Winfield	Scott	L F Patterson	J M Hon	L F Patt'r's'n, P E Windh'm, B E Thomas		25	16	15	4	3	6	209	3	65	3	2	1
Glendale	Boonville	Logan	Eld. Little	W L May	D G Dilday, J H Raines, D H Reynolds		1	2	2		2	36	1	00	4			
Pleasant Grove	Fuller	Scott	G W Evans	J M Blackwell	J P Steyshens, J N Reynolds, J W Owens			2	1		3	32	50	4				
Shiloh [No 2	Belva		J N Penington	R Godwin	L Spreights, W J Remingt'n, W Slaught'r		1	7	5		4	1	74	50	3	1		
Pleasant Grove	Cauthron	Scott	W P Hall	J T Plumer	L B Plummer, J T Plummer		2		3	1		21	50	2				
Rock Creek [No 1		"	J M Ledbetter	W Davis	Wm Davis							16	50	2				
Opewell	Carolan	Logan	D M Bryant	J J Fuller	J M Moore, S Mullins,		4	2	2	1	4	1	42	75	1			
Grove	Boothe	Scott	R T Claborn	S R Looper	A H Farmer, G P Watkins		6	1	22	1	6	2	44	1	00	1	1	

Home Missions—Lynch Prairie, \$1; Hartford, 95 c; Glendale, \$1; Shiloh, \$28.

Foreign Missions—Hickory Grove, \$1.35.